

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
FREEWAY AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION
OF THE CITY OF SOUTH PASADENA
CONVENED THIS 15TH DAY OF OCTOBER 2013 6:30 P.M.
CITY MANAGER'S CONFERENCE ROOM
1414 MISSION STREET**

1. ROLL CALL

The regular meeting of the Freeway and Transportation Commission was convened at 6:37 p.m. Commissioners present: Evans, Margrave, Nuckols and Sherman. Council Liaison: Cacciotti. Staff present: City Manager Sergio Gonzalez, Deputy Public Works Director Shin Furukawa.

**2. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES
OF THE SEPTEMBER 17, 2013
REGULAR MEETING**

The Commission did not approve minutes, as they were not prepared.

3. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Chair Sherman and Commissioner Nuckols informed other commissioners about the upcoming Caltrans meetings regarding the 710 properties with the recent passage of SB 416. According to Caltrans, the purpose of the meetings are to develop policies and guidelines to facilitate the sale of the properties. The meetings are scheduled for October 23 & 24. Commissioner Nuckols also briefly mentioned the upcoming Metro Board meeting where a motion by Board Member Knabe will be considered to place the 710 project back on the accelerated projects list.

4. STAFF COMMENTS

City Manager Gonzalez reported that the City Council had approved the request to change the title and modify the scope of work of the Transportation Manager position. The new title will be Principal Management Analyst and while it's a more general title which allows for an expanded scope of work, the main task for the person hired, will remain transportation.

**5. PUBLIC COMMENTS (ITEMS
NOT ON THE AGENDA)**

None.

6. DISCUSSION ITEMS**A. City Council's Direction
Regarding Update to the City's
SR-710 Resolution**

City Manager Gonzalez informed the Commission that the City Council expressed an interest in reevaluating its resolution regarding its official position on the SR-710 and requested input from the commission. The Commission

discussed the item and provided comments to staff which will be shared with the city's special counsel and strategist for their input. After all comments on potential revisions to the City's 710 resolution have been received, the item will then be placed on a future agenda for the council to consider. The Commission discussed the SR-710 further focusing on Measure R and that its funds would serve the San Gabriel Valley region better if they were dedicated to the completion of the Gold Line Extension rather than wasting money on a controversial "Gap Closure" project.

**B. Review and Comment on
Regarding Engineer's Report
(AECOM) on Fair Oaks Bulb-
outs**

Deputy Public Works Director Furukawa introduced the item and responded to questions posed by the Commission. The Commission discussed the item further, paying special attention to the bulb-out treatments and potential impacts to parking. After further discussion, the Commission decided to recommend that the City Council approve moving forward with a more in-depth study as proposed by the consultant. Staff will take the lead to draft the report and schedule it for a future City Council meeting. The Commission then brought the current SR-710 Study into the conversation as some of the alternatives affect Fair Oaks. They discussed the City's rights in regards to objecting to proposed improvements as outlined by some of the SR-710 alternatives and that the City may want to consider passing local ordinances establishing policy to prohibit the widening of streets, etc.

**C. Continue Discussion Regarding
Grade Crossing at Pasadena
Avenue and Monterey Road**

The Commission discussed the Gold Line and how issues will only be made worse by the extension of the Gold Line because there is the possibility of having shorter headways and longer trains.

7. AGENDA INPUT

Gold Line/PUC, SR-710, Caltrans properties and recent Metro Board action(s).

8. ADJOURNMENT

By consensus, the Commission adjourned the meeting at 7:25 p.m. The next Commission meeting will be held in November 2013.

Approved By:

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'William Sherman', is written over a horizontal line.

William Sherman
Chair